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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
LE PAGE, Richard William Falla, *et al.* ) Group Art Unit: 1645  
Serial Number: 09/769,744 ) Examiner: S. DEVI  
Filed: January 26, 2001 )  
For: NUCLEIC ACIDS AND PROTEINS FROM STREPTOCOCCUS  
PNEUMONIAE

**PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants respectfully petition for a three-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for responding to the Office Action mailed on December 8, 2006, in the above-captioned application. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the time for response be extended up to and including June 8, 2006. A check in the amount of \$510.00 is attached to cover the (small entity) three-month extension of time fee. In the event of any variance between the amount enclosed and the fees determined by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, please charge or credit such variance to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

Respectfully submitted,

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